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Good Templars meet this evening.

Hidden Hand at the opera house this evening.

Power City Temple No. 3, Patriarchal Circle, do business this evening.

The Grand Army veterans rally at their headquarters to transact business this evening.

The annual dancing party of the Power City Rifles will be held in their armory this evening.

Mr. George H. Wheelock, of South Bend, Indiana, son of Mr. W. G. Wheelock, is in the city on a visit.

Another ride-shoot, for the buck, will take place on the farm of Mr. H. S. Woodruff, on Washington's birthday.

The members of the Power City Rifles are ordered to appear at their armory this evening in full dress uniform—blue pants.

The Madison Democrat—"William Sillito, of Janesville, the proprietor of the celebrated bitters, is looking over the capital city."

Miss Mina A. Bowerman, of Rager avenue, third ward, returned yesterday from a ten weeks' visit in Chicago and Aurora, Ill.

Mr. H. H. Pickering started on a trip through Dakota to-day, intending to take in Res Heights and Pierre, combining pleasure with business.

Our streets presented a lively appearance this afternoon, Main and East and West Milwaukee streets being crowded with pedestrians.

The young people's guild of the Baptist church will meet this evening at the residence of Captain A. M. Pratt, on Jackson street, first ward.

Mr. Richard Valentino and wife, and Miss Lillie Williams, went to Chicago to-day where they will hear Pathé to-night in Verdi's opera "La Traviata."

The victims of the late coasting accidents are all getting along nicely, but none of them will likely be able to enter into the sports again this season.

The number of accidents which have befallen those indulging in coasting of late has frightened most of the youngsters out of the notion of sliding down hill.

Dr. O. C. Sutherland now walks with the aid of a heavy cane, the result of a sudden fall, by which he sprained one of his ankles. He is on duty just the same.

The Gazette is glad to state to-day that Mrs. Anson Rogers continues to improve somewhat. A few days of progress like that of the past 36 hours will carry her past the dangerous point.

Mrs. A. P. Lovoy has just received from New York, an elegant Chickering upright piano. It is not only a thing of beauty, but in richness and sweetness of tone, it stands foremost among the pianos in this city.

Mr. Alex. McClellan, of La Prairie, lost a valuable Clyde horse this morning, it being sick only a couple of hours, with some disorder of the stomach. The horse was valued at two hundred dollars, and was worth the money.

The hand grenade fire extinguisher man gave another exhibition of the extinguishing qualities of the hand grenade on the corn exchange square this afternoon, a large crowd of interested spectators being present. The grenades are a handy thing to extinguish small fires.

Mr. Harry M. Clark, the gentlemanly manager of Whitely's Hidden Hand company, called at the Gazette office this afternoon, and speaks in flattering terms of the success of the company he now represents. They will appear in the opera house this evening.

"Not the least obscure made he, not a minute stopped or stayed he," as he dodged out of the way of a lady who took a tumble on Court street this forenoon, but he overheard a remark that was not very complimentary to those having charge of the sidewalks on that grade.

It would be a good thing to do, if the "authorities that be" would order the ice on the bridge walks shoveled off to the river. It would add so much to the comfort of careless pedestrians who are now compelled to steady themselves over the river by holding fast to the railings.

Another of those social gatherings that are full of enjoyment and that tend to strengthen the bonds of mutual fellowship, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Merrill last evening. There were between sixty and seventy neighbors present to share the munificent hospitality of the host and hostess. A sumptuous supper was served at an early hour, after which the company indulged in games and other pastimes until eleven o'clock.

A prominent west side gentleman took upon himself the role of peace-maker this morning, and quietly settled a law suit, which otherwise might have proved lucrative to the attorneys engaged, and of a corresponding expense to the litigants. All the peace-maker received was a glass of York state elder and a smoke, but was as well satisfied with his fee as though he had been laid up with rheumatism during tobacco stripping time.

The funeral of the late Mrs. W. H. Norton took place this morning at ten o'clock at St. Mary's church, Rev. Father Roche officiating. The funeral procession was a very large one, the line of mourners and carriers following the remains from the house to St. Mary's church, reaching from East Bluff street to Franklin street, and when going to the cemetery after the solemn service, was much longer. The remains were laid at rest in the Catholic cemetery.

At the regular monthly meeting of Water Witch Engine company No. 2, held last evening, Mr. Joseph Coty resigned his membership in the company, and Mr. Levi Canniff was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Coty intends removing with his family in a few weeks to Western Nebraska, where he will engage in farming. He has been a member of the company for a number of years, has done a considerable amount of hard work in the service, and he will be missed by the company and department.

We hear that one of our prominent lumber dealers was out sleighriding on Rager avenue the other night with his wife, and while coming towards home, the two were enjoying the ride to such a degree that they let the horse have its own way. Presently they were brought to a realization of their situation

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Shoot the Day.

Passing down a quiet street in the fourth ward one dark evening last week, our attention was attracted to an illumination in a yard in front of a house across the way. The thought occurred to us that possibly the family were giving a lawn party, and so we crossed the street to obtain a better view. As we came up on the walk, we discovered that the whole family—from the six-year-old boy to the white-haired old grandmother, of seventy—were out on some kind of a rampage. They were all provided with a lamp, or lantern, or some other portable luminary. Taking our position behind a tree, and lighting a cigar, we said, here is a chance for an item, and we will quietly watch developments. Presently a voice floated out on the still, frosty air, in a tone that indicated a good deal of pent-up emotion,—"and this is what we heard: "John, have you looked on the back porch, and over there by the barn; and under that pile of boards?"

John answered, "Yes; all the favorite haunts have been carefully examined, but to no purpose."

"Well, John, come here